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# American Association of State Colleges and Universities (AASCU)



The American Association of State Colleges and Universities (AASCU) is a Washington-based higher education association of nearly 420 public colleges, universities and systems whose

members share a learning and teaching-centered culture, a historic commitment to underserved student populations and a dedication to research and creativity that advances their regions' economic progress and cultural development.

AASCU's Office of International Education supports member institutions in their efforts to prepare students for work, life and citizenship in an increasingly globalized world. Working with partners from across the globe, the Office provides an array of programming to strengthen member campuses' capacity to make international connections and engage with the global community. This programming includes professional development opportunities for administrators and faculty members, campus site visits, presidential missions to foreign countries, and the development and coordination of student exchange programs in China and other countries.

# **Professional Development**

- AASCU/NAFSA Institute for New Senior International Officers
- China Studies Institute
- Japan Studies Institute

# **Program Development**

- <u>Campus Site Visits</u>
- China Initiatives
- Presidential Missions

#### Partnerships and Outreach

- Global Partners
- Opportunities for U.S. Students to Work and Study Abroad

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# American Council on Education, Center for Internationalization and Global Engagement



ACE is a membership organization that mobilizes the higher education community to shape effective public policy and foster innovative, high-quality



practice. For more information, see www.acenet.edu.

## Ongoing and Future Programs:

- U.S.-Japan COIL Initiative (<a href="http://www.acenet.edu/US-Japan-COIL">http://www.acenet.edu/US-Japan-COIL</a>) aims to expand U.S.-Japan higher education ties through collaborative online international learning (COIL). The initiative is a two-year (2017-19) pilot supported through a grant from the U.S. Embassy Tokyo, and coordinated in partnership with Japan's Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science, and Technology (MEXT), designed to test the idea that students who participate in COIL courses will increase their understanding of the partner country, sharpen their cultural competency skills, and become better prepared for in-person education exchange. Through a competitive selection process, ACE will identify up to six U.S. institutions to work with new or existing Japanese partner institutions to develop, deliver, and assess one or more COIL courses. ACE will announce U.S. institution selections in late August 2018. Follow the conversation at #USJPCOIL.
- Partnership with Japanese Association of National Universities (JANU)
  - Presidents of ACE and JANU signed a memorandum of understanding (MOU) outlining priorities for collaboration during ACE's 100<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting in Washington, DC in March 2018. The two associations seek to increase mutual understanding of U.S. and Japan higher education through dialogue with U.S. and Japanese higher education institutions; Expand U.S.-Japan higher education collaboration through partnerships, physical exchange, as well as the use of virtual exchange to enhance global learning and cultural awareness among students and faculty members in the two countries; and monitor the status of U.S.-Japan higher education relations, particularly with respect to institutional and regulatory obstacles that may impede their further development.
- Research on U.S.-Japan higher education collaboration
   ACE is collecting data for a comprehensive inventory and analysis of U.S.-Japan higher education partnership activity.

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### American Councils for International Education



#### **Mission Statement:**

American Councils for International Education advances scholarly research and cross-border learning through the design and implementation of educational programs that are

well grounded in key world languages, cultures and regions. We contribute to the creation of new knowledge, broader professional perspectives, and personal and intellectual growth through international training, academic exchange, collaboration in educational development, and public



diplomacy. With a presence in the U.S., Russia and Eurasia for nearly four decades, in addition to representation in over thirty countries across Asia, the Middle East and Southeastern Europe, American Councils strives to expand dialog among students, scholars, educators and professionals for the advancement of learning and mutual respect in the diverse communities and societies in which we work.

### **Ongoing and Future Programs:**

Critical Language Scholarship Program (June-August 2018, June-August 2019)

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#### Promote:

American Councils for International Education is proud to support the implementation of the Critical Language Scholarship Program, a program of the U.S. Department of State that selects 25 American college and universities students each year to study Japanese language and culture intensively over the course of each summer. More information can be found at www.clscholarship.org.

# **Asia Policy Point**



Asia Policy Point is a membership nonprofit studying Japan and Northeast Asia. One focus of our work is the intersection of history with Indo-Pacific security.

APP publishes two weekly newsletters. The *Asia Policy Calendar* is a preview of the week's news, events, and conferences relevant to an Asia policy professional. This newsletter includes links to critical policy documents from the previous week and member commentary. The *Japan Brief* is a weekly review of Japanese news of interest to congressional staff. APP also publishes

occasional papers called *Japan Points* on Japanese politics and politicians.

Recent Japan Point publications include: The Prime Minister's Statements on Understanding of History By Junichiro Shoji, director of NIDS Center for Military History, National Institute for Defense Studies Commentary (Translation); The Abe Administration is a Nippon Kaigi [Japan Conference] Cabinet By Mr. Yoshifumi Tawara, Director of Children and Textbooks Japan Network 21, Tokyo, Japan (Translation); An Annotated Guide to the Fourth Abe Cabinet (100 pages); Profiles of Dietmember and LDP Presidential Adviser Katusyuki KAWAI and Koko KATO Special Cabinet Advisor on Sites of the Meiji Industrial Revolution.

We hold public and private meetings featuring new books and scholarship on Asia. We host the Northeast Asia History Study Group. We assist independent and international scholars present their research to Washington audiences.

An annual individual membership is only \$100.

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# Carnegie Endowment for International Peace – Japan Program 2018-19



Carnegie established its Japan Program in September 2012 under the leadership of James L. Schoff (Program Director and Asia Program Senior Fellow).

The Japan Program informs current policy debate by looking broadly at developments in Japan, the U.S.-Japan alliance, and the United States and Japan in a dynamic Asia. Through research and publishing, as well as by convening private and public intellectual exchange regarding politics, trade and economics, foreign policy, security, and technology innovation, the program explores the potential of the alliance to promote their national interests by collaborating in support of regional peace and security, sustainable and equitable economic development, and multilateral cooperation. Schoff completed a book-length report in 2017 covering many of these issues in *Uncommon Alliance for the Common Good: The United States and Japan After the Cold War* (Carnegie, 2017) available for download at <a href="http://carnegieendowment.org/2017/01/23/uncommon-alliance-for-common-good-united-states-and-japan-after-cold-war-pub-67742">http://carnegieendowment.org/2017/01/23/uncommon-alliance-for-common-good-united-states-and-japan-after-cold-war-pub-67742</a>.

Other Japan Program publications can be found at <a href="http://carnegieendowment.org/experts/745">http://carnegieendowment.org/experts/745</a>.

# Major events planned for 2018-2019 include:

September 11, 2017: "China Risk/China Opportunity for the United States and Japan" (public seminar convened in collaboration with the Japan Forum on International Relations), Washington, DC

October/November 2018: "Turning Nuclear Swords into Plowshares: Leveraging the U.S.-Japan Alliance for Meaningful Denuclearization in North Korea" (a half-day conference organized in collaboration with Carnegie's Nuclear Policy Program), Washington, DC

October/November 2018: "Japan-U.S. Strategic Science, Technology & Innovation Initiative (JUSSTII) conference, Washington, DC.

December 2018: U.S.-Japan-South Korea Trilateral Workshop on Regional Diplomatic and Security Cooperation, Tokyo, Japan (in collaboration with Japan Institute for International Affairs and the Korean National Diplomatic Academy)

January 2018: "Japan in 2019" (day-long conference organized in collaboration with the Japan Society of Washington, DC)

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#### **Cultural Vistas**



Cultural Vistas is registered as a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. Our mission is to enrich minds, advance global skills, build careers, and connect lives through international exchange. For more than 60 years, Cultural Vistas has developed and implemented experience-based international exchange programs in order to empower people to drive positive change in themselves, their organizations, and society. Designated by the U.S. Department of State as an Exchange Visitor Program (Intern/Trainee,

Teacher, Korea WEST, and IAESTE categories), the organization works with students and professionals in internships and training programs for Americans and international visitors. In addition, it manages a variety of short-term programs in the United States and overseas that provide individuals the opportunities to network and learn about the international perspective on the issues on which they are working and studying.

### **Current & Previous Japanese Programs:**

### TeamUp Familiarization Tour: June 2018

• Funded by the U.S. Embassy in Tokyo and facilitated by the United States-Japan Bridging Foundation (USJBF), Cultural Vistas administered an eight day program for five senior international staff members from diverse U.S. institutions to explore potential partnerships and international programming with Japanese institutions of higher education, and to ultimately expand their own institution's global reach. The weeklong visits included Osaka, Okayama, Kyoto and Tokyo.

#### TeamUp Micro-Grants: August 2016-September 2018

• TeamUp is a campaign funded by the U.S. Embassy in Tokyo and facilitated by the United States-Japan Bridging Foundation (USJBF) to increase the number of American and Japanese undergraduate and graduate students studying in each other's country by expanding relevant, active, mutually beneficial and innovative agreements among American and Japanese institutions of higher education. 10 U.S. institutions have been awarded with microgrants of up to \$7,000 each to help establish partnerships with Japanese institutions.

#### TOMODACHI Metlife Women's Entrepreneurship and Leadership: March 2018

• Since 2013, the TOMODACHI MetLife Women's Leadership Program (TMWLP), launched by the U.S. Embassy in Tokyo and the TOMODACHI initiative and sponsored and supported by MetLife Inc., has paired highly-motivated female university students with midcareer professionals to build a network of Japanese women who show promise as the nation's next generation of leaders. As part of this 10-month mentorship program, Cultural Vistas, in conjunction with the U.S.-Japan Council, has organized a weeklong professional tour for Japanese university students focused on how women achieve success in the modern economy. To date, over 200 students have participated in the program.

#### <u>Japan Internship for the Development of Young Leaders (IDYL)</u>: August 2015, 2016, 2017

• The Japan Internship for the Development of Young Leaders (Japan IDYL) offers an exciting opportunity for U.S. organizations to host well-matched, motivated, and multilingual interns from Japan. Established with the support of the Japanese government



and the U.S. Department of State in order to help cultivate future leaders of the U.S.-Japan relationship, nearly 150 students have benefited from the program.

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#### **East-West Center**



<u>Mission Statement</u>: The East-West Center promotes better relations and understanding among the people and nations of the United States, Asia, and the Pacific through cooperative study, research, and dialogue.

# **Ongoing and Future Programs:**

- Outreach: Asia Matters for America (AsiaMattersforAmerica.org), Asia Pacific Bulletin, Seminars and Events on Asia
- <u>Education and Exchange:</u> Asia Studies Visiting Fellowship, U.S.-Japan-Southeast Asia Fellowship, Research Internships, Congressional Staff Program on Asia

### **Programs to Promote**:

The East-West Center in Washington, DC (EWCW) is now accepting applications for Fellows to join the first year of a collaborative project with the Osaka School of International Public Policy (OSIPP) at Osaka University on U.S.-Japan-Southeast Asia Partnership in a Dynamic Asia. The program provides analysts and scholars with an opportunity to conduct interviews, research, publish, and present work while in residence at EWCW and OSIPP.

To learn more and apply go to <a href="https://www.eastwestcenter.org/ewc-in-washington/us-japan-southeast-asia-partnership-in-dynamic-asia-fellowship">https://www.eastwestcenter.org/ewc-in-washington/us-japan-southeast-asia-partnership-in-dynamic-asia-fellowship</a>

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# Gordon W. Prange Collection, University of Maryland Libraries



#### 1. Mission Statement

Gordon W. Prange Collection is the most comprehensive archive in the world of Japanese print publications issued during the early years of the U.S. Occupation of Japan, 1945-1949. As a Japanese cultural heritage institution located in the United States, the Prange Collection is dedicated to advancing research, education, and community outreach mission of fostering U.S.- Japan relationship.

### 2. Ongoing programs

Exhibition: October 2018 to July 2019



Title: "Crossing the Divide: An American Dream Made in Occupied Japan 1945-1952"

Opening Reception: 5:00-7:00pm, Friday, October 19, 2018

Venue: Maryland Room Gallery, Hornbake Library North, University of Maryland College Park, a free shuttle bus to campus is accessible at the College Park Metro Station, the WMATA Green Line

### Description:

On August 15, 1945, Japan surrendered unconditionally to the United States and Allied Powers, ending World War II. In the aftermath, thousands of U.S. military and civilian personnel and their families moved to Japan to oversee the rehabilitation of the defeated nation. This exhibition focuses on interactions between Japanese and Americans in communities built for U.S. personnel and in key contact zones in the surrounding city. Through materials from the Gordon W. Prange Collection, *Crossing the Divide* reveals the "American dream" that these communities represented and shows how Japanese people envisioned their own dreams as they rebuilt their lives and nation in war-torn Tokyo.

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# Institute of International Education (IIE) – IIE Programs with Japan



The Institute of International Education (IIE) has helped to welcome Japanese students to the United States since our founding in 1919, with over 500 Japanese students reported on U.S. campuses in our 1921 annual Report. IIE began collaborating with Japan in 1952 to implement the Fulbright Program, which IIE has been honored to assist the U.S. Department of Stat in

administering since the program's inception in 1946, to promote mutual understanding between the United States and the rest of the world. IIE/s partner in administering the program in Japan is the bi-national Fulbright Commission (Japan – U.S. Education Commission. We remain dedicated to growing the number of cross-cultural exchanges with Japan and help an average 250 Americans study in Japan each year through the U.S. State Department's Gilman International Scholarship Program. The Japan Student Services Organization (JASSO) joined IIE's Generation Study Abroad (GSA) initiative launched in 2014, as one of 20 Country Partners committed to increasing and diversifying the number of U.S. students studying abroad. IIE and JASSO also assist CULCON to track progress in bilateral student mobility by providing annual data updates to its Education Review Committee.

# Our Programs:

IIE works closely with our partners to design, manage, and implement customized scholarship programs. Our programs with Japan include:

• Fulbright Student Program: The Fulbright Student Program annually benefits almost 5,000 U.S. and international students. On behalf of the U.S. Department of State, IIE conducts publicity, recruitment, and selection activities for more than 1,700 U.S. Fulbright students each year. For over 2,600 foreign Fulbright students who enter the U.S. each year,



IIE provides placement, pre-academic and English language training, orientation, visa support, fiscal services, student supervision and cultural and enrichment activities. Fifty-one Japanese and 18 U.S. students will participate this year.

- Fulbright Scholar Program: The Fulbright Scholar program offers teaching, research, or combination teaching/research awards in over 150 countries, including Japan. Opportunities are available for college and university faculty and administrators as well as for professionals, artists, journalists, scientists, lawyers, independent scholars, and others. Approximately 20 U.S. and Japanese scholars will participate this year.
- Japanese Foreign Language Teaching Assistants Program (FLTA): Since 1968, with support from the U.S. Department of State, the FLTA Program has aimed to strengthen foreign language instruction at U.S. educational institutions by establishing a native speaker presence in the classroom. Administered by IIE, the FLTA Program provides an opportunity for young, international teachers to refine their teaching skills, increase their English language proficiency and extend their knowledge of the cultures and customs of the United States. The Fulbright FLTA Program with Japan began in 2007-08. This coming year, IIE will place eight Japanese student-teachers on U.S. campuses to provide native speaker expertise in the classroom and share Japanese culture with American students, while giving Japanese student teachers the chance to improve their spoken English and audit courses at the host campus.
- Gilman International Scholarship Program: Administered by IIE on behalf of the U.S. Department of State, the Gilman International Scholarship Program offers awards to financially-needy American undergraduates to study abroad, as established by the International Academic Opportunity Act of 2000. This scholarship provides awards for U.S. undergraduate students who are receiving Federal Pell Grant funding at a two-year or four-year college or university to participate in study abroad programs worldwide. An average of 250 American undergraduates annually receive awards for study in Japan.
- Boren Awards for International Study: Administered by IIE and funded by the U.S. Government's National Security Education Program (NSEP) since 1994, the Boren Awards for International Study have enabled several hundred U.S. undergraduates to study in Japan. The U.S. government established NSEP to equip Americans with an understanding of less commonly taught languages and cultures, including Japanese, which are integral to global security issues.
- Freeman Awards for Study in Asia: With support from the Freeman Foundation, IIE has helped fund study in East and South East Asia for over 4,000 U.S. undergraduates. Freeman Awards for Study in Asia provide American students with the information and financial assistance required to spend a summer, semester, or academic year in a credit-bearing program in East or Southeast Asia. Upon returning home, awardees share their experiences with their peers through outreach projects on campus and in the wider community to promote study abroad and deepen interest in Asia in their home communities. Japan is the top host destination for Freeman awardees spending a semester or academic year abroad.
- Global Engineering Education Exchange: Started in 1998, this IIE-managed consortium of 34 U.S. engineering schools and 38 universities outside the U.S. facilitates the exchange of engineering students at participating universities to study for a semester or academic year in another country on a tuition-swap basis. In Japan, U.S. students from Global E3 member campuses study at Tohoku University. Reciprocal opportunities are



available for Japanese students from Tohoku to enroll in engineering programs for a semester or year at any other member institution in the consortium, either in the U.S. or in 20 other countries.

- Japan-U.S. Teacher Exchange Program for Education for Sustainable Development (ESD): Jointly funded by the governments of Japan and the United States, the ESD Program introduces innovative Japanese and U.S. K-12 educators to each other's cultures and education systems and aims to enhance ESD-related curricula in both countries. The program raises awareness of ESD-oriented school programs and deepens the sense of global interconnectedness between teachers in Japan and the U.S. in four vital areas of ESD focus: food and sustainable nutrition; environment; energy and resources; and international understanding and cooperation.
- Japan-IMF Scholarship Program: IIE recruits candidates and manages the selection process for the Japan-IMF Scholarship Program for Advanced Studies, which is sponsored by the Japan Ministry of Finance. The scholarship allows Asian graduate students to pursue doctoral degrees in economics at North American universities and internships at the International Monetary Fund (IMF).

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# International Student Conferences, Inc. (ISC)



Our Mission

ISC's mission is to promote peace by furthering mutual understanding, friendship and trust through international student interchange.

Our Values

ISC believes in the long-term value of mutual understanding, friendship, and trust achieved through cultural interchange in student-run conferences.

ISC delegates, volunteers, employees, board members, and alumni believe in the following core values for its student-run, cross-cultural conferences:

- The importance of developing mutual understanding and friendship as the path to peace.
- The power of an open mind and a willingness to exchange opinions in building a respect for differences.
- The unique ability of students, with their idealism, enthusiasm, and vitality, to plan and implement important peace-building events and activities.
- The imperative of investing in the present to positively transform the future.
- The absolute commitment to integrity, honesty, and frankness.



### Current and future programs (with dates):

Japan-America Student Conference (JASC)

- The 70th JASC | August 3-27, 2018
- The 71st JASC | August 2019, exact dates TBD

U.S.-Japan-Korea Trilateral Conference

• The U.S.-Japan-Korea Trilateral Conference | January 2019, exact dates TBD

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# International Student Exchange Programs (ISEP) Study Abroad



Founded in 1979 at Georgetown University, we became an independent non-profit organization in 1997 and are now one of the largest study abroad membership networks in the world. As a trusted educational community, we are committed to helping students overcome the financial and academic barriers to study abroad. In partnership with our member institutions, we're able to connect students to high-quality, academic programs at more than 350 universities in over 50 countries. Regardless of academic major, socio-economic status and

geographic location, we believe no one should be held back from being able to study abroad. Since our foundation, we have sent over 56,000 students abroad. ISEP facilitates student mobility for academic and cross-cultural learning through its worldwide membership network of higher education institutions.

#### Current and future programs:

ISEP has programs in over 50 countries at over 350 different universities. Programs typically run from August - December and February - June. ISEP also offers short term summer and winter programs.

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#### The Japan-America Society of Washington DC



**Our Mission:** Drawing on the unique resources of the nation's capital and our long history, the JASWDC promotes friendship and understanding between Americans and Japanese through diverse programming that spans the educational, cultural, business, and policy spheres.

### Our Programs:

Cultural Programs: Kimono Workshops, Cooking Classes, Ohanashikai (ongoing)

- i. Wagashi Making Workshop Tuesday, August 7
- b. Educational Programs: Japan-in-a-Suitcase, Japanese & English Language School, Networking Lunches, J-Book Club, Japanese-English Toastmasters (ongoing)



- c. Public Affairs Programs:
  - i. 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual Dinner Tuesday, November 13
  - ii. JUMP: Potential Flashpoints for the Northeast Asia Region Thursday, November 29

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# Japan-America Society of Central Ohio



**Mission Statement:** "To enrich lives by bringing Ohio's Japanese and American communities together."

### **Ongoing and Future Programs**

Upcoming Events

- July 23-Economic Seminar: New Developments in Trade Policies of the Trump Administration-About the Invocation of Article 232 of the Trade Expansion Law and Article 301 of the Trade Law
  - o In collaboration with JETRO Chicago
- August 23-Economic Seminar: Smart Manufacturing
  - In collaboration with JETRO Chicago
- September 29 (tentative)-JASCO Culture Club: Indigo Dying
  - o In collaboration with Mashiko International Exchange Association
- November 8-JASCO Economic Business Seminar
- December 1 (tentative)-JASCO Bonenkai at the Columbus Zoo
- December 8 (tentative)-JASCO Culture Club: Koto
  - o In collaboration with the Columbus Koto Ensemble

#### Annual Programs

- JASCO Anniversary Reception (The 22<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary reception will be held in early April 2019)
- JASCO Japanese Speech Contest and Career Exploration (The 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Speech Contest will be held on March 2, 2019)
- JASCO Golf Outing (the 21st Annual Golf Outing will be held on November 8, 2018)

Other Ongoing Programs



- Japanese Language Classes
  - o Quarterly 10-week sessions
    - Offering 9 classes at 5 different levels in the Summer session beginning in July 2018
- JASCO Culture Club
- Business, Economic and Management Seminars

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The Japan Foundation, New York; The Japan Foundation Center for Global Partnership (CGP)



**Mission:** To Promote international cultural exchange and mutual understanding between Japan and other countries, by providing assistance for Arts & Cultural Exchange;

Japanese Studies; Intellectual Exchange; and Grassroots Exchange & Education programs in the U.S.

# **Ongoing Grant Programs**

- 1. CGP Grassroots Exchange & Education
- ➤ Regular Grant Grassroots Program: Supports non-profit organizations in the U.S. to establish national and/or regional networks, capacity building, and innovative program development for U.S.-Japan exchange and outreach. Grants are capped at \$30,000/yr. Application deadline: (tentative) December 1 (annually).
- ➤ Grassroots Exchange Discretionary Grant: Aims to create new networks and strengthen existing networks between non-profit organizations and citizens groups in the U.S. and Japan around common social issues. Up to \$10,000/yr. Rolling deadline.
- Education Grant: Supports teacher training, curriculum development and community outreach efforts on Japan addressing the needs of K-12 students, teachers and the larger community. Up to \$5,000/yr. Rolling deadline.
- ➤ Japan Outreach Initiative (JOI): Fosters a grassroots understanding about Japan by dispatching Japanese nationals to volunteer in communities (primarily in the South and Midwest) in the U.S. as cultural exchange coordinators. Please visit the Laurasian Institution website (<a href="www.laurasian.org">www.laurasian.org</a>) for information on the application process to become a U.S. host organization.
- 2. Japanese Studies and Intellectual Exchange
- > JFNY Grant for Japanese Studies: Supports projects that will enhance and deepen an understanding of Japan through academic exploration in the fields of humanities and social sciences. Up to \$5,000/yr. Rolling deadline.
- ➤ Japanese Studies Institutional Project Support (IPS) Small Program: Helps academic institutions maintain and advance the infrastructural scale of Japanese Studies in the U.S. Up to \$25,000/yr. Application deadline: November 1 (annually).



- ➤ CGP: Regular Grant Intellectual Exchange Program: Supports institutions conducting Japan-U.S. collaborative projects that explore policy issues of concern to Japan and the U.S. Grants are capped at \$30,000/yr. Application Deadline: (tentative) December 1(annually).
- ➤ CGP: Intellectual Exchange Discretionary Grant: Supports one-time conferences, workshops, etc. that explore policy issues relevant to Japan and the U.S. Up to \$10,000/yr. Rolling deadline.

# 3. Arts and Cultural Exchange

Supports are provided for projects that will further understanding of Japanese arts and culture, or Japan-U.S. collaborative projects through arts and culture.

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# **Featured Programs**

- Japan and Japanese-language on the grassroots level in Southern and Midwestern states with limited opportunities for cultural exchange with Japan. It will be accomplished by strengthening collaboration between Japanese companies operating in the U.S. and these local communities. The program consists of three parts: 1) The dispatch of Grassroots Exchange Facilitators/Japanese Language Supporters to key organizations where they will work to deepen the understanding of the U.S.-Japan relationship, 2) The invitation of local community delegations and teacher/student groups to Japan, 3) Grants for Japanese-language related projects.
- ➤ Abe Fellowship: Support individual, policy-relevant, comparative and transnational research projects, co-organized with Social Science Research Council (SSRC) Application deadline: September 1 (annually).
- ➤ U.S.-Japan Network for the Future: Identify and support professionals who demonstrate an interest in and potential for becoming japan specialists and policy experts based in US through a two-year program of workshops and study tours, co-organized with the Maureen and Mike Mansfield Foundation since 2009.

# Japan-U.S. Friendship Commission



#### Mission Statement

The Japan-U.S. Friendship Commission was established as an independent federal government agency by the United States Congress in 1975 (P.L. 94-118) to strengthen the U.S.-Japan relationship through educational, cultural, and intellectual exchange. It administers a U.S. government trust fund that originated in connection with the return to the Japanese government of

certain U.S. facilities in Okinawa and for postwar U.S. assistance to Japan. As a grant-making agency, the Commission supports research, education, public affairs and exchange with Japan. Its mission is to support reciprocal people-to-people understanding, and promote partnerships that advance common interests between Japan and the United States.

#### **Programs**

Institutional Grants: The Japan-U.S. Friendship Commission is the chief instrument of the United States Government for maintaining expertise on Japan throughout U.S. academic and professional institutions. In this capacity, the Commission serves to make grants, and operates its institutional



grant-making activities in four areas: Exchanges and Scholarship, Global Challenges, Arts and Culture, and Education and Public Affairs. Applications are open to organizations with projects that address U.S.-Japan relations, Japan studies, undergraduate or graduate student/faculty exchanges with Japan, professional exchanges, public affairs, global challenges, or the arts. The Commission's next grant deadline is July 1, 2019.

*U.S.-Japan Creative Artists Fellowships:* The Commission and the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) have worked with the Agency for Cultural Affairs in Japan and the International House of Japan (I-House) to organize the United States-Japan Creative Artists' Program. Each year five leading U.S.-based artists, representing all genres, are selected from the United States and are provided funding to spend three to five months in Japan. Since 1978, 160 U.S. artists, representing a diverse range of disciplines, have been selected to travel to Japan for this residency. Artists go as seekers, as cultural visionaries, and as living liaisons to the traditional and contemporary cultural life of Japan. They also go as connectors who share knowledge and bring back knowledge. Their interaction with the Japanese public and the outlook they bring home provide exceptional opportunities to promote cultural understanding between the United States and Japan.

JUSFC-NEH Social Science Fellowships: The Fellowship Program for Advanced Social Science Research on Japan is a joint activity of the Commission and the National Endowment for the Humanities. Awards support research on modern Japanese society and political economy, Japan's international relations, and U.S.-Japan relations. The program encourages innovative research that puts these subjects in wider regional and global contexts and is comparative and contemporary in nature. The research contributes to scholarly knowledge or to the general public's understanding of issues of concern to Japan and the United States from a variety of disciplines such as: anthropology, economics, geography, history, international relations, linguistics, political science, psychology, public administration, and sociology.

Arts Japan 2020: As we approach the 2020 Olympics and Paralympics, Arts Japan 2020 will be a recognizable, developed and strategic effort to highlight Japanese arts and culture in the United States. This program will encompass four functions: 1) Collect information on Japan-related cultural programming across the United States; 2) Brand programming with the campaign name and logo; 3) Disseminate information about the branded Japan-related cultural programming via social and traditional media, including a dedicated website; and 4) Encourage organizations across the United States to develop Japan-related programming to include in the campaign.

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Arts Japan 2020 https://www.artsjapan.us/



#### **Kizuna Across Cultures**



#### Mission statement:

To cultivate international friendship and global awareness among youth of all backgrounds.

# Current and future programs:

- Global Classmates (September 2018 February 2019) is the virtual cultural & language exchange program that pairs high school language classes from the U.S. and Japan. 66 schools (33 schools from each country) with estimated 1,800 students in total are scheduled to participate this year. The students will exchange comments, photos and videos on various topics at a weekly basis on a Facebook-like platform.
- *Global Classmates Summit* (End June to Early August 2019) selects a handful of the outstanding students who participated in our Global Classmates program (above) and brings them together in Washington DC for a week-long in-person exchange and collaboration to advance U.S.-Japan relations.

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#### The Maureen and Mike Mansfield Foundation



THE MAUREEN AND MIKE MANSFIELD FOUNDATION

The Maureen and Mike Mansfield Foundation is an independent 501(c)3 organization that promotes understanding and cooperation among the nations and peoples of Asia and the United States. Maureen and Mike Mansfield's

values, ideas and vision for U.S.-Asia relations continue through the Foundation's exchanges, dialogues and publication, which create networks among U.S. and Asian leaders, explore the underlying issues influencing public policies, and increase awareness about the nations and people of Asia.

#### **Current and Future Programs:**

- Mike Mansfield Fellowship Program (Continuous)
- US-Japan Network for the Future (January 2019)
- Mansfield-PhRMA Research Scholars Program (September 2019)
- JUSFC Thomas S Foley Legislative Exchange (March 2019, June 2019)
- US-Japan Space Forum (January 2019)
- US-Japan-Korea Nuclear Spent Fuel and Security Workshop (July-December 2018)
- Mansfield-CIIS Forum on US-Japan-China Energy and Environment Leadership (TBD)
- Maureen Mansfield Gender Equality Initiative (TBD)



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NAFSA: Association of International Educators

#### Mission - WHAT WE BELIEVE



NAFSA believes that international education advances learning and scholarship, fosters understanding and respect among people of diverse backgrounds and perspectives, is essential for developing globally competent individuals, and builds leadership for the global community. We

believe that international education lies at the core of an interconnected world characterized by peace, security, and well-being for all.

**WHAT WE DO-** NAFSA is the largest association of professionals committed exclusively to advancing international higher education. The association provides leadership to its diverse constituencies through establishing principles of good practice and providing professional development opportunities. NAFSA encourages networking among professionals, convenes conferences and collaborative dialogues, and promotes research and knowledge creation to strengthen and serve the field. We lead the way in advocating for a better world through international education.

<u>Regional Conferences</u> – October – November in various locations

Annual Conference - May 26th - May 31st 2019 in Washington, DC

NAFSA Knowledge Communities – Education Abroad, International Education Leadership, International Enrollment Management, International Student and Scholar Services, Teaching, Learning, & Scholarship

<u>Learning</u> and <u>Training</u> – opportunities for e-learning seminars, courses, and workshops, and more.

<u>Publications</u> – NAFSA has many resources for professionals working in international education.

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### National Association of Japan-America Societies



The mission of the National Association of Japan-America Societies is to strengthen cooperation and understanding between the peoples of Japan and the

United States by providing programs, services, and information to and facilitating cooperation among our member societies throughout North America.

### **NAJAS Function:**

NAJAS provides support and Japan-related programming to 36 Japan-America Societies located in the U.S. and Canada. Locally funded and managed our members seek to promote mutual understanding between Japan and the United States in their home areas.



### Current and future programs in 2018:

- 1) Japan Updates series: 11 public affairs programs focusing on the U.S.-Japan relationship to be held at Japan-America Societies
- 2) NAJAS/KKC Business Speaker Series: 6 programs focusing on investments by Japanese companies in the U.S., to be hosted by Japan-America Societies
- 3) TOMODACHI/NAJAS Youth Exchange Programs; 6 high school age exchange programs, organized by Japan-America Societies and partners in Japan
- 4) Richard J. Wood Art Curator Series: 3 programs featuring talks by curators of Japanese art collections at major America museums, organized by Japan-America Societies
- 5) Japan-US Military Program (JUMP): 5 events honoring the service of Americans who have served in the U.S. Armed Forces in Japan, held at Japan-America Societies

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# The National Bureau of Asian Research (NBR)



NBR conducts advanced independent research on strategic, political, economic, globalization, health, and energy issues affecting U.S. relations with Asia. Drawing upon an extensive network of the world's leading specialists and leveraging the latest technology, NBR bridges the academic, business, and policy arenas and disseminates its research through briefings, publications, conferences, Congressional testimony, and by collaborating with leading institutions worldwide.

**Engaging Asia** is NBR's premier program on Capitol Hill. NBR will present research on the importance of U.S.-Japan cooperation for Congress in a publication and launch event in **Spring 2019**.

**Strategic Asia,** NBR's signature publication, provides an annual assessment of key issues in the Indo-Pacific in an edited volume. The **Spring 2019** volume will include research on how Japan is working independently and with the United States to respond to China's strategic ambitions.

**Japan and the Sino-Russian Entente**, part of NBR's ongoing research on China-Russia relations, will culminate in a standalone Special Report in **Spring 2019** on China-Russia relations from the perspective of Japan and the U.S.-Japan alliance.

The Maritime Awareness Project (MAP) is an innovative platform for analyses and data on maritime security. The MAP portal combines interactive mapping technology with rigorous analyses from the world's leading maritime experts. Over the next year, MAP will increase focus on the East China Sea and the interests of the United States and Japan in that region.

NBR's **Center for Innovation, Trade, and Strategy** will host a **September** workshop in Seattle on the future of U.S.-Japan economic relations, with an eye towards China's economic policies and Asia trade in a TPP-11 world. NBR will publish a report on some of the findings.

**Innovative Asia** explores ways to strengthen innovation environments in Asia, including a focus on Japan and South Korea and their efforts to develop sustainable healthcare systems. NBR has



convened roundtables in Washington, Tokyo, and Seoul. A series of original pieces with experts in the field will be published over the next year.

NBR's Energy Security Program (ESP) and Pacific Energy Summit (PES) convene public, private, and nonprofit leaders in Asian energy issues to engage in high-level discussions of Asia's energy policies and their implications for geopolitics (ESP) and sustainable economic development (PES). Experts share insights and recommendations through invitation-only workshops, the annual Energy Security Report, and public workshop summary launch events.

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# North American Coordinating Council on Japanese Library Resources (NCC)

### Mission statement:

Founded in 1991, NCC works closely with librarians, faculty, and funding agencies to strengthen Japanese language collections and to promote access to information in all forms and formats. NCC works in partnership with Japanese institutions, leading organizations in North America, and globally throughout the fields of Japanese studies to create and disseminate services.

NCC serves as a vocal advocate for broader access to Japanese information for all users and stands ready to work with librarians, faculty, students, and others to develop new initiatives to meet emerging library and information resource needs to advance Japanese studies scholarship and to benefit understanding internationally.

# Ongoing and future programs (with dates):

- Digital Scholarship in Japanese Studies Workshop—November 15-16, 2018
- NCC open meeting during CEAL conference—March, 2019
- Ongoing programs, which are carried on by our committees and working groups:
- Digital Resources Committee
- Interlibrary Loan and Document Delivery Committee
- Japan Art Catalog Project
- NHK Project
- Image Use Protocol Working Group—Moving Image Use Task Force
- Cooperative Collections Working Group
- Librarian Professional Development Working Group

Name and email of point of contact "for more information"

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# Any programs your organization would like to promote

We would like to promote all of the programs above, along with the many resources that are freely accessible on our Website: www.nccjapan.org



#### Sasakawa USA



Sasakawa USA is dedicated to strengthening U.S.-AWA USA Japan relations through education, programs, and research.

### Ongoing programs focused on people-to-people ties and public diplomacy:

- ❖ The Alliance Working in America (TAWA) Series seeks to engage U.S. regional leaders outside of Washington, D.C. on the importance of the U.S.-Japan alliance to American interests. Sasakawa USA is proud to partner with the World Affairs Councils of America to hold our third TAWA program in Atlanta, GA from September 4-7, 2018. The full program of events consists of public forums, private roundtable discussions with business representatives and U.S.-Japan organizations, and visits to local universities and high schools. Contact jchampaloux@spfusa.org.
- ❖ The Japan U.S. Military Program (JUMP) connects past and present service members, families, and government civilians who have served in Japan. JUMP is a collaborative effort between Sasakawa USA, the Embassy of Japan in the United States, and the National Association of Japan-America Societies. The next JUMP event will be held in Seattle on September 9. Contact bgraf@spfusa.org.
- ❖ The Congressional Staff Program on Asia (CSPA), administered by the East-West Center in Washington, is a bipartisan educational certificate program that aims to equip Congressional staffers with greater knowledge of U.S.-Asia policy in order to better understand America's role in and engagement with this dynamic region and the policy implications that will directly engage Congress. This semester-long certificate program consists of a weekly series of eight working sessions during luncheon on Capitol Hill from September through October 2018. Contact <a href="kkato@spfusa.org">kkato@spfusa.org</a>.
- ❖ The Sasakawa USA/USJETAA Mini-Grant Program is a competitive mini-grant program vis-à-vis the JET Alumni Associations (JETAAs) chapters and subchapters within the United States. The program is intended to help chapters strengthen the JET alumni network and elevate their leadership role in their local U.S.-Japan community. This year's application cycle has closed with selected chapters expected to hold their events between October to February 2018. Contact <a href="mailto:ichampaloux@spfusa.org">ichampaloux@spfusa.org</a>.
- ❖ The Sasakawa USA In-Depth Research Trip provides selected alumni of Sasakawa USA programs with an opportunity to return to Japan for a deeper understanding of common challenges in the U.S.-Japan relationship. This year's application has closed, and the selected alumni will likely travel to Japan in November 2018. Contact idoscher@spfusa.org.
- ❖ The Sasakawa USA Emerging Experts Delegation (SEED) Program invites emerging U.S. leaders to improve their understanding of U.S.-Japan relations through a week-long study trip to Japan. In 2018, Sasakawa USA has partnered with the International Center for Journalists (ICFJ) to select eight American journalists for the sixth iteration of the program. This year's application cycle has closed and the trip is expected to take place in November/December 2018. Contact kkato@spfusa.org.



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#### **US-Asia Institute**



Founded in 1979 by Esther G. Kee and the late Joji Konoshima, the US-Asia Institute is a private, United Nations-associated nongovernment organization (NGO). It is a 501 (c) (3) nonprofit organization devoted to improving understanding and strengthening ties between the people and governments of the

United States and Asia. Through conferences, off-the-record briefings, people-to-people exchanges, and ongoing interaction at all levels, the Institute has effectively built a bond of trust and mutual respect over the past 38 years and has succeed in keeping channels for dialogue open. The Institute is unique in that its leadership includes many with close, ancestral, professional, and cultural ties to the region. The Institute's network of political, business, government, and academic leaders here and abroad provides unique insight and access towards this important relationship.

### Current and future Japan programs:

## 1. Japan 101 Congressional Series

- This introductory briefing series brought experts to Capitol Hill to discuss critical aspects and issues related to various Asian countries, including Japan, China, Korea, and ASEAN nations. The Japan 101 Briefing series is organized in conjunction with the U.S.-Japan Caucus and with the help of Sasakawa USA. Over the past several years, USAI has hosted the following briefings on Japan:
  - o Evolving Relations in a Changing World: the US-Japan Alliance in 2018
  - O Solid Partners: A Direct Look into the Current US-Japan Alliance
  - o US-Japan Trade Policy, TPP 11, and Geopolitics
  - Crucial Security Perspective: US-Japan Strategic Bonds (7/26)
- In 2017, over 200 legislative staffers attended; nearly 60 received Professional Development Certificates.
- USAI hosted 12 other Japan briefings from 2013-2015 (a few listed below;
  - The United States, Japan and the Trans Pacific Partnership: Strengthening Asia's Economic Relationship with Acting DAS Robert Manogue and Dr. Takashi Terada
  - Capitol Hill Forum: The Global Impact of the Power of Womenomics with His Excellency Kenichiro Sasae, Senator Mazie Hirono, former Congresswoman Connie Morella, and Rui Matsuakawa, Director for Gender Equality, MOFA
  - Japan-US Cooperation: A Vision for Collaboration in Cyberspace to Ensure Peace and Security Across the Asia-Pacific with Dr. Motohiro Tsuchiya and Mr. James Kendall



# 2. USAI Diplomatic Partnership Council (DPC)

- The US-Asia Institute **Diplomatic Partnership Council (DPC)** was initiated in 015 to engage current envoys from the Asia/Pacific region serving in Washington as a direct link to our strategic partners. Serving in an honorary capacity, the ambassadors provide candid insight into their countries' policies and culture, suggesting activities to facilitate understanding. His Excellency Kenichiro Sasae, former Japanese Ambassador to the US, previously served on the DPC. USAI will be looking to discuss DPC membership with the new ambassador in the fall.
- 3. Working Sessions in fall 2018 with Congressional staff contacts of the US-Japan Caucus to discuss how best to engage Capitol Hill staff on topics related to US-Japan issues.
- 4. Japan Capitol Hill Cultural Reception in fall 2018 to bring together those Congressional Members/staff who have traveled to Japan over the past four decades along with those who study and/or are interested in Japan from the government, academic, business and diplomatic community
- 5. Congressional delegations to Japan (1988-2009)
  - The US-Asia Institute organized and accompanied **15 US Congressional delegations** to Japan
  - Behind China, Japan has been our 2<sup>nd</sup> most frequent destination for Congressional staff delegations. **The Japanese Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MOFA) served as the host for the first ten** of our delegations to Japan. USAI has also served as a program facilitator for smaller delegations to japan.

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### U.S.-Japan Bridging Foundation



## **Mission Statement**

Created in 1998 by the United States-Japan Friendship Commission, the U.S.-Japan Bridging Foundation (USJBF) is an independently operated 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, designed to strengthen the U.S.-Japan relationship through study abroad in Japan. Through the "Bridging Scholars," we develop global leaders and cultivate a

globally competent talent pipeline of the next generation's workforce.

### **Programs**

Bridging Scholars: In the past 20 years, we have supported nearly 1,900 U.S. undergraduate students' cultural and educational exchanges, providing opportunities for a diverse cross-section of young adults to develop global leadership and workforce skills that will deepen their understanding of Japan and strengthen the U.S.-Japan relationship. The Bridging Scholars program provides scholarship grants of \$2,500 to \$7,500 to help U.S. students--with academic merit and financial need--afford to study in Japan for a semester or academic year, and well as leadership development, mentoring, internship, and volunteer opportunities for students. Bridging Scholars represent every state in the U.S. and study for a semester or academic year in over 40 Japanese institutions—in prefectures from the north to the south—such as Akita, Tohoku, Hitotsubashi, Keio, Hiroshima, and Okinawa universities and many others.



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# **Upcoming Opportunities**

The next scholarship application deadline is October 11, 2018

Please help us reach as many interested undergraduates, study abroad offices, Japanese and East Asian Studies faculty as possible. The online application and additional information is available at <a href="https://www.bridgingfoundation.org/scholarship-program">https://www.bridgingfoundation.org/scholarship-program</a>

# U.S.-Japan Council



<u>Mission</u>: The U.S.-Japan Council is a Japanese American-led organization fully dedicated to strengthening ties between the United States and Japan in a global context. By promoting people-to-people relationships through its innovative programs in networking and leadership, the Council serves as a catalyst to

inspire and engage Japanese and Americans of all generations. It develops the next generation of leaders committed to a vibrant and dynamic relationship.

### **Selected Upcoming Programs: 2018**

| Aug. 3 – 27        | 70 <sup>th</sup> Japan America Student Conference*                   |  |
|--------------------|--|--|
| Aug. 1 – Nov. 30   | TOMODACHI Disability Leadership Program at UMass Boston*             |  |
| Sept. 16 – 24      | TOMODACHI Mitsui & Co. Leadership Program (Boston & WDC)*            |  |
| Nov. 30 – Dec. 8   | Asian American Leadership Delegation trip to Kyoto, Osaka, Tokyo     |  |
| Nov. 8-9           | USJC Annual Conference in Tokyo, Japan (Cerulean Tower Tokyu Hotel)  |  |
| Winter 18/19       | Consuls General & Japanese American Dialogue in Washington, DC (TBC) |  |
| <u>2019</u>        |  |  |
| Winter/Spring      | TOMODACHI Kakehashi Inouye Scholars Program*                         |  |
| February<br>(WDC)* | Building the TOMODACHI Generation Morgan Stanley Ambassadors program |  |
| Feb. – Mar.        | TOMODACHI STEM @ Rice University Program*                            |  |
| Spring             | Japanese American Leadership Delegation trip to Japan                |  |
| May 20-22          | Japan-Hawaii Economic Summit in Hokkaido                             |  |
| Nov. 2-5           | USJC Annual Conference in Los Angeles (Loews Hollywood)              |  |
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An asterisk (\*) indicates TOMODACHI Initiative programs

| SCHOLARSHIPS      |   |
|-------------------|---|
| U.SJapan Council  | Toshizo Watanabe Study Abroad Scholarship (US to JPN and JPN to US) |
| Japan Japan       | Application opens January, 2019                                     |
|                   | http://www.usjapancouncil.org/watanabe_scholarship                  |
| TOMODACHI         | TOMODACHI Sumitomo Corporation                                      |
| INITIATIVE        | Scholarship Program TOMODACHI-                                      |
| www.tomodachi.org | UNIQLO Fellowship   |

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### **USJETAA**



#### Mission

The mission of the United States JETAA (USJETAA) is to provide support and resources to Japan Exchange and Teaching Programme (JET) alumni chapters and individual JET alumni throughout the United States in order to strengthen the capacity of the JETAA network, enabling alumni to contribute to the greater U.S.-Japan relationship and 'bring Japan home' by fostering education and understanding of Japanese culture in the United

States.

### **Annual Programs**

#### The Sasakawa USA/USJETAA Grant Program for JETAA Chapters: May 2018 – March 2019

This program supports the leadership of JETAA chapters and subchapters by providing them with funding for programming and outreach. With this grant, chapters have promoted Japanese culture in local communities, supported Japanese language study, and provided career services for JET alumni. This partnership also funds chapter programs that highlight the expertise of JET alumni and U.S.-Japan relations. This program is funded by the Sasakawa Peace Foundation USA.

#### The Microgrant Initiative for American JETs: September 2018 – July 2019

This program provides small grants to U.S. assistant language teachers working in Japan on the JET Programme for projects that introduce American culture and English language to students in their classrooms and the local community. This program is funded by the U.S. Embassy Tokyo.

### The Leadership Program: August 2018 - March 2019

This program funds visits from the USJETAA Executive Director and members of the USJETAA Board of Directors to JETAA chapters for leadership workshops that support chapter development and best practices. This program is supported by the Japan Foundation CGP and CLAIR.



# The Webinar Series: Ongoing

The chapter series provides helpful information on chapter leadership to engage all officers of JET alumni chapters and information for JET alumni on careers and professional development. Topics include information about developing membership, effective communications strategies, obtaining 501(c)(3) non-profit status, and more. The JET alumni series provides webinars on careers and professional development, including topics such as how to become a Japanese teacher in the United States and how to find a career. Each webinar includes two or three speakers with expertise in the topic. This program is supported by the Japan Foundation CGP and CLAIR.

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